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1. SUB-COMMISSION DISCUSSED PROGRESS REPORT ON GENOCIDE STUDY IN PM SESSION SEPT. 9. EXPERTS WHO SPOKE SUPPORTED OBJECTIVITY OF SPECIAL RAPPORTEUR. TURKISH OBSERVER EXPLAINED WELL-KNOWN POSITION OF HIS GOVERNMENT ON ARMENIAN MASSACRES (I.E., THIS IS ANCIENT HISTORY; NO PURPOSE SERVED BY DREDGING IT UP OR BY SINGLING OUT TURKEY AS PERPETRATOR OF GENOCIDE). NGO (ARMENIAN ECUMENICAL COUNCIL) ARGUED THAT HISTORY OF ARMENIAN MASSACRES HAS DIRECT RELEVANCE TO ANY STUDY OF GENOCIDE. SPECIAL RAPPORTEUR EXPLAINED HIS METHODS AND DEFENDED HIS EFFORTS TO BE OBJECTIVE. SUB-COMMITTEE TOOK NO VOTE ON ISSUE OF SPECIFIC REFERENCE TO ARMENIAN "GENOCIDE", AND SPECIAL RAPPORTEUR IS THEREFORE LEFT TO TAKE HIS OWN COUNSEL ON THIS QUESTION IN LIGHT OF VIEWS EXPRESSED.

2. IN AM SESSION SEPT. 10 SUB-COMMISSION TOOK
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FOLLOWING ACTIONS:

(A) ADOPTED RESOLUTION CALLING ON
PARTIES CONCERNED WITH CYPRUS REFUGEES TO IMPLEMENT
GA RES. 3212 (XXIX) AND ASKING HUMAN RIGHTS
COMMISSION TO REVIEW IMPLEMENTATION.

(B) ADOPTED RESOLUTION (18-0-5) EXPRESSING
"UTMOST CONCERN ABOUT THE CONTINUING FLAGRANT AND
WIDESPREAD VIOLATIONS OF BASIC HUMAN RIGHTS AND
FREEDOMS IN CHILE," URGING CHILE TO RESTORE HUMAN
RIGHTS, TO STOP TORTURES, CRUEL, INHUMAN AND DEGRADING
TREATMENT, AND TO RELEASE UNCHARGED POLITICAL PRISONERS.

(C) ADOPTED RESOLUTION CALLING FOR SPEEDY
INDEPENDENCE OF ANGOLA.ABRAMS

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